

About Plays and Players

By BIDE DUDLEY

LIVER MOROSCO is announcing the formation of The Oliver Morosco Holding Company, capitalized and underwritten for \$1,500,000, to take over and operate all his theatrical and real estate holdings in New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco, as well as his motion picture interests. A financial department, under the supervision of Wall Street capitalists, will relieve him of the business details and allow him to devote his entire attention to the artistic end of the work of producing plays and films. He expects to double his output of the past.

HUNT TO PRODUCE.

Carl Hunt, best known as a stage director, is to produce. He has a play called "Bibi of the Boulevard" by Catherine Chisholm Cushing, with music by Rudolf Friml, and will put it on shortly after Jan. 1. Dorothy Maynard, now appearing in London in "Thanks Very Much," will have the title role.

ANOTHER FOR TREVOR.

Norman Trevor has obtained from W. J. Locke and W. H. Benny the American rights to a play entitled "The Mountebank," which he plans to produce. He owns the film rights also.

ANOTHER NEW THEATRE.

The new Riviera Theatre, at St. John's Place and Kingston Avenue, Brooklyn, will be opened as a vaudeville and film house by B. S. Moss, who is affiliated with the Keith Circuit, on Thanksgiving Night. The house, which seats 2,500 people, has been built, decorated and furnished under the supervision of B. F. Albee.

SAM BERNARD PLEASED.

Sam Bernard, of "The Music Box Revue," is decidedly delighted. His son, Sam Jr., has just won a scholarship at Cornell—that's the reason. "Dot boy sure has moose bright," says Sam sr. "I am very happy over his triumph."

BENEFIT DRAWS CAPACITY.

The benefit for the Jewish Consumptives' Relief Society at the Sam H. Harris Theatre last night was a grand success. Thousands of dollars will be turned over to the society as a result. Among those who pleased a capacity audience were Marguerita Sylva, Ada Mae Weeks, Ted Lewis, Bert Levy, Grace Eastman, Helen Walling, McKenzie Sisters, Harry Allen and Teddy, Prince Gow Ding, Davis and Pelle, Harry C. Browne, Frank Crumit, the "Tangerine" quartet, Lee White, Leonard and Townes, Carlo Enciso, Al Herman, Bob Fiddie, Al Sanders, Gilda Gray, Julius Tanen, Victor Moore, Johnny Dooley and the Western What-Is-It, the same being one of Will Rogers. Nat Kamen directed the orchestra with skill.

BENNETT'S PLAY TO-NIGHT.

Arnold Bennett, English playwright, is to report the Disarmament Conference news for the Westminster Gazette of London. His latest play, "The Title," will open to-night at the Belmont Theatre, with Laurence Harcourt and Selene Johnson in the leading roles. Richard Herndon is the producer.

COHAN MAY PRODUCE.

J. J. Rosenthal, manager of George M. Cohan's "The O'Brien Girl," advises us that so far 563 applications for stage work await the return of Mr. Cohan from Havana. In a recent cable the author-actor-producer says he is so encouraged by the attitude of the members of the theatrical profession that when he comes back he may form as many as twenty companies. Thus it would seem that George M. Cohan does not intend to remain in "retirement" long.

MORE "SALLY" COMPANIES.

It is announced that William Dearly has been selected to play the Leon Errol role in a French production of "Sally." This musical play will be on display in Paris inside of a month. At the same time, three companies are being formed by Grossmith and Malone in London to tour the English provinces. "Sally" is to be produced in Berlin also.

OH, PSHAW! SAY WE.

Francis E. Field has advised us that the storm which hit the railroad station in the first act of "The Intimate Strangers" at the Henry Miller Theatre failed to tear down the electric light wires, although it put the telegraph and telephone wires out of commission. That settles it. THE ARGUMENT HAS BEEN WON BY US.

GOSSIP.

Edna Wallace Hooper is to appear in Shubert Vaudeville. Southern and Marlowe will be seen in "The Taming of the Shrew" at the Century all this week. Mrs. Irene Castle, who will be seen in Keith Vaudeville soon, will have William Beardon as a dancing partner.

An average of six players a day apply for understudy work with "A Bill of Divorcement."

The steps in "The O'Brien Girl" will have new pumps to-night and Ada Mae Weeks will have a new gown.

One act of "Golden Days" will be played at the Hotel Astor Friday afternoon for The Theatre Assembly.

After he revives "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," Edward Waldmann will put on several Shakespearean special matinees.

Now Ed Wynn is claiming he is a matinee idol. "It is not my beauty," he says, "so it must be my winning smile."

Marge Waldron, daughter of Col. Waldron of the N. Y. National Guard, is to dance in Keith Vaudeville.

In conformity with a policy of

RHYMED PROPOSALS

He signs himself merely O. O. Henry, which looks to us like a hide-away cognomen, but since his heart is truly touched by Rene's appeal for a man to rescue her from the slough of loneliness, we must print his appeal here. Look Rene, of West 17th Street and see what O. O. has written to you:

Hello, hello! How do you do? Nobody's baby really are you. Love's delusions are very fair. But like a dream you may be a snare.

Please tell me Rene, are you so blue?

If so, then I would hasten to you On wings of love—oh, how I'll fly. I'll do it, dear—I'll do it or die.

The loveliest youth then asks her to meet him in the office of the Bill-board. However, Rene indicates she is more interested in board bills. But you never can tell.

JOE'S CAR



Joe Figured on a "One-Man Act!"

THE BIG LITTLE FAMILY



Now It's the "Honeymoonshine!"

Screenings

By DON ALLEN

TABLE D'HOTE. "Ham" and Bacon have rejoined forces after a tearful separation of twelve long years. This gastronomic reunion took place recently when "Ham" Hamilton, screen maker, and Lloyd Bacon, son of Frank, of "Lightnin'" fame, rushed into one another's arms and immediately re-formed the partnership that faded away a dozen years ago. The two porcine-cognomened screenwriters talked over the many menus they had decorated while working apart and then made an agreement to work together again. Bacon will do the writing (and won't sign his stuff "Shakespeare") and "Ham" will take care of the acting portion of the bill of fare.

MY, WHAT A CHANGE!

Al Christie thinks he should be in the Columbus class. In stating this claim, he is not referring to the Ohio capital or the Circle up 30th Street way. Al claims to have discovered Hollywood. Of course, thousands of highly paid press agents of movie concerns have helped keep it on the map, but Al's claims as a discoverer have not, as far as we know, been disputed. When Christie started he used to film a split-reel comedy on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Some times he had actors and sometimes he didn't. Now look at the blamed thing. His latest production called for 300 actors, besides the principal cast, and took weeks and weeks to shoot. And the cost? The figure read like a quarterly statement of the Federal Reserve Bank, only more so.

JUST IN TIME.

The arrival of a circus, nearly the day, not only for Jack White, supervising director of "The Baby Face" but for the circus. The film, which was nearly a "shot," is about a circus, as the title would indicate. Some circus acts were sadly needed to round out the picture. White had almost made arrangements to import some elephants and acrobats and an elephant or two, when the circus pitched its tent. The crowds didn't break any game ropes in rural areas, but the business was decidedly to the indie. So White's proposition to become a movie actor for a day or so came as a most welcome sound. Sometimes things happen that way at that.

NOW, YOU STOP.

Volstead and Izzy Einstein received a shock yesterday when they learned there was no shortage of women in the Katherine Macdonald studios. If the lot hadn't been so far away, Izzy says, he would have plastered on his movie-bench disguise and started something again. But the amusement is harmless. It refers to persons rather than "Thin Shait Not." The "Thin Shait Not" is the star, Melbourne MacDonald and Lindsay McKenna—all of whom can swirl a wicked Highland fling.

STATIC.

Six camera men shot the "Hair Breed." Six-shooters, so to speak. "What's the matter with the camera?" Some one asked Mickey Neilson. "They are poor mathematicians," he quoth. "They don't know figures."

"Old and New England." Educational-Bruce scenic, proves there's little difference, except in the Super. William Christy Cabanne has already written 903 (count 'em) screen stories. He'll make it an even 1,000 in a few minutes.

George Randolph Chester and "The Mrs." have formed their own film company. You just can't keep these Cincinnati boys down, can you?

Mile And Posh the cinema star and aviatrix, has put her airplane in camphor balls and is playing opposite Reginald Denny in the "Leather Pushers."

Jane Harned and "Buddie," the baby and the dog, last seen in "Snakers," will appear again in a new film, "No Parking." The "No Parking" is growing a lot since their film debut.

Marie Moorhouse, fifteen months old, devours a pickle in Goldwyn's "Poverty of Riches." Mothers in the audience needn't gasp. The "pickle" is only an overgrown jelly bean, especially made for the purpose.

Now there's a new playing man. An ape in the "Greatest of Claudius" has monkey fur glued on his chest and shoulders every day. It's all right, he says, only he's a monkey.

"He" is the first Max Lindbergh picture since "Seven Years Bad Luck." Don't know, but maybe the release, should have been reversed.

Mary Warren, in "The Night Rose," was born in Philadelphia. She's outgrown it, however.

Irene Rich says her pet hobby is swimming. Still, she has a kick coming.

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That's "Foresight" for You!

KATINKA



Never Again for Him!

New Yorkers For A Day

Expositions, Conventions, Horse Show and Athletic Events Will Fill Hotels During the Coming Week—Watermelons on Burke's Farm Latest Florida Freaks of Nature.

By Roger Batchelder.

The Hotel Men's Exposition and Convention and the Horse Show will be the most attractive items on the visitors' schedule this week. The hotel men will take many diners at New York's leading hotels, and on Wednesday they will take their golf clubs to the Westchester, Baltimore, in Rye, to decide the hotel men's championship. From Wednesday through Friday, prominent physicians and health officers will discuss hygiene at the Astor, and dairymen will meet at the Waldorf during the first of the week. Many clubs of New Yorkers who came from other States will hold meetings and entertainments

at which "New Yorkers for a Day or Two" will be guests.

The Dartmouth-Syracuse game on Saturday will be the athletic feature of the week.

NOTED SCIENTISTS ARRIVE. Three prominent medical scientists of the new nation, Jago-Slavija, have arrived at the Martinique following a tour of our leading medical schools, and a study of the systems of public health in our principal cities. They are Dr. G. J. Nicholich, Assistant Minister of Public Health for Jago-Slavija; Dr. George Joannovich, professor of pathological anatomy at the University of Belgrade, Serbia; and Dr. Radenko Stankovich, professor of medicine at the same institution.

Their visit to the United States, which began last September, was at the invitation of the Rockefeller Foundation. They will remain in New York about two weeks, visiting all departments of the Rockefeller Institute and studying the methods of the Public Health Commission, and will then return to Serbia by way of England.

Serbia owes an incalculable debt of gratitude to the American people for saving the lives of thousands of our children through the relief committee organized here for that purpose," said Dr. Joannovich, acting as spokesman for the group. "Our nation looks to America to lead the

world back to health, happiness and prosperity. The greatest thing about having seen them and their wonderful energy and genius for system, we know that our country's trust in their leadership has not been misplaced."

WINSTED SCOOPED AGAIN.

Capt. W. D. Collier of Fort Myers, Florida, has a small tree in his yard which is baffling all who inspect it, according to a Baltimore guest who has just arrived from the South. It is seven feet high, he tells us, and bears fruit which is similar in color to the watermelon. The lone piece of fruit is about 6 inches long and 4 inches in circumference. The identity of the tree has never been ascertained, and Fort Myers is waiting with much excitement for the time when the fruit shall become ripe. Then the taste may link it with some recognized tree family.

OPEN SEASON NOW CLOSED.

"There will be no more revolutions in 'Central America,'" prophesied Senator Jose E. Suiay, Minister of Finance of Salvador, who is at the State Fair, said at the Commendatore that while the exposition would be a counter-attraction to the fair, he was making every effort to bring the dairymen to Detroit.

FARTHEST FROM HOME.

The "New Yorkers for a Day or Two" who are farthest from home today are Mr. and Mrs. R. H. McDowell. Their home town, Constantine, is nearly 8,000 miles from Broadway.

SPEAKING OF COWS.

Detroit is making bids for the next National Dairy Show, for Michigan has never been the scene of this im-

HIGH SPOTS THIS WEEK FOR VISITORS IN N. Y.

Monday-Saturday—
Hotel men's exposition, 69th Regiment Armory.
National Horse Show Association, Squadron A Armory.
Monday-Wednesday—
International Dairy and Milk Inspectors, convention, McAlpin.
Monday—
State Probation Council, convention, Waldorf.
National Council of Importers and Traders, dinner, Waldorf.
Tuesday—
National California Club, Wal-

dorf, 2 P. M.
Society of Michigan Women, Waldorf, 2 P. M.
American Association of Engineers, smoker, McAlpin, 8 P. M.
Wednesday-Friday—
American Public Health Association, Astor.
American School Hygiene Association, Astor.
Wednesday—
Daughters of the British Empire, dance, McAlpin.
New Jersey Medical Club, dinner, McAlpin.
National Founders Association, convention, Astor.
American Railway Association, Waldorf, all day.
Thursday—
Dixie Club of New York, Waldorf, 2 P. M.
Society of New England Women, Waldorf, 2 P. M.
Society of Illinois Women, Waldorf, 2 P. M.
Saturday—
Pennsylvania Club, luncheon to Marshall Field, Waldorf.
Dartmouth-Syracuse football game, Polo Grounds.